



LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

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August 21, 2012

The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

**AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
TO REIMBURSE THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION FOR PROJECT
EXPENSES INCURRED PRIOR TO YOUR BOARD APPROVAL OF ITS
HOLLYWOOD BOWL RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT
(THIRD DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation to reimburse the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association for otherwise eligible costs, in the amount of \$102,912.70, incurred prior to your Board's approval of their Hollywood Bowl Restroom Renovation Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to reimburse the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association for architectural design costs on its Hollywood Bowl Restroom Project, in the amount of \$102,912.70, that would have been eligible if not incurred prior to your Board's approval of the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Director) to reimburse the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association (LAPA) \$102,912.70 in otherwise eligible charges for architectural design costs incurred before your Board approved the Hollywood Bowl Restroom Project on December 20, 2011.

Approval for the project was delayed to review several construction options and the delay raised concerns at LAPA that the project might not be completed before the beginning of the current Hollywood Bowl season of events in May of 2012. To meet the critical completion deadline of the beginning of the 2012 season, LAPA elected to proceed with the architectural design for the project before your Board approved the project funding.

The \$102,912.70 cost for architectural design was part of the \$3,000,000 total project cost previously approved by your Board for the renovation of 11 existing restrooms at the Hollywood Bowl complex; including those at the adjacent Highland Camrose Park. However, since the design costs were incurred in September 2011, prior to your Board's approval of the Project on December 20, 2011, we recommend your Board approve the otherwise eligible charges. The renovation includes improvements to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act standards and to reduce utility costs, as well as improving lighting, fixtures, finishes and related work. The Project is fully funded with Open Space District Proposition A grant funds.

The Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's ("District") Procedural Guide defines the "project period" for cost reimbursement purposes, as commencing when your Board approves a project. With your Board's approval of the recommended action, the District will reimburse LAPA for otherwise eligible costs incurred on the Hollywood Bowl Restroom Project prior to December 20, 2011.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendation furthers the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) by allowing LAPA to recover eligible costs incurred on their restroom project, and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3), by enhancing safe and accessible recreational opportunities in the City of Los Angeles in the Third Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grant, in the amount of \$3,000,000, is budgeted in the Third Supervisorial District's portion of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District's (District) Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On June 2, 2009, your Board approved the Procedural Guide, for governing the administration of Regional Park and Open Space District grants. This Procedural Guide governs the administration of the Hollywood Bowl Restroom Renovation Project. However, the Procedural Guide does not authorize the Director to reimburse costs incurred against an Excess Funds grant prior to your Board's approval of the project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On December 20, 2011, your Board found that the Hollywood Restroom Renovation Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301 and 15331 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the project involves minor repairs and maintenance of existing facilities as well as maintenance and rehabilitation of historical resources in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

A Grant Project Agreement has been entered into and is being administered under authority delegated to the Director and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009 only if all applicable conditions of the grants have been met. The Project Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The restroom renovation project will enhance safe and accessible recreational opportunities in the City of Los Angeles, at the Hollywood Bowl and benefit residents in the Third Supervisorial District and throughout the County.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Russ Guiney", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

RUSS GUINEY

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors